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Message from the Board President



John Scheck
2010 President

Reaching out a hand to one, truly does influence the condition of all. I believe the citizens of Ellis County live by this model every day.

As in years past, the 2010 United Way campaign goal was not only met...but was exceeded. Thank you for making that investment in our community. The total raised last year is a testament to the trust that you, our donors, have placed in the United Way of Ellis County as a steward of your dollars.

There will always be a need for assistance due to unforeseen events in our community, but the United Way of Ellis County is

working to eliminate the issues before they ever happen. In 2010, we distributed \$280,000 through Agency Allocations; a total of \$60,000 was disbursed through Community Impact Grants; Community Response Grant awards totaled \$29,940; and an additional \$40,000 was given out through Agency Emergency Grants. We can't prevent natural disasters from wreaking destruction, but we *can* work toward making certain that no person goes hungry or lives on the street because they have met hard times. We *can* make efforts to assure that no child enters school without the basic supplies

needed to be successful. In conjunction with our partner agencies, the United Way of Ellis County is filling the role of a "change agent" in our community, working to identify the root causes of problems and eliminate them.

Whether you donate to the campaign, give of your time by volunteering, or advocate on behalf of the United Way, thank you for your support during this past year. The United Way of Ellis County continues to build authentic partnerships every day so that our community can work together in ways that achieve meaningful change by

bringing about a lasting change. Our strength in mobilizing resources and engaging organizations builds positive relationships that focus on our community. If you would like to learn about the meaning of "LIVE UNITED", I urge you to visit our website at www.liveunited.us.

In closing, I would like to thank our community volunteers, the United Way of Ellis County staff and Board of Directors, but most of all, thank you, our generous donors. When we reach out a hand to one, we influence the condition of all...and that's what it means to LIVE UNITED.



HACC Director, Doug Greer, was "rewarded" with blue hair at their Annual Carnival. His staff beat the participation rate for their United Way internal campaign from two years ago. Way to go HACC staff!

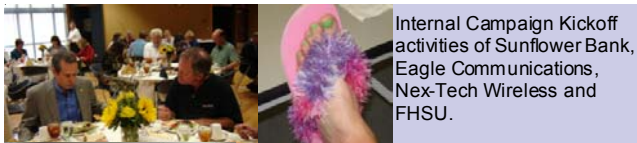


First Call for Help provided backpacks and supplies for nearly 400 area children. Western Kansas Association on Concerns of the Disabled also distributed gas vouchers to each family.

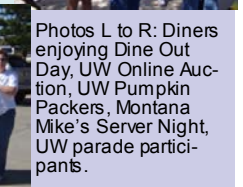
A few of the backpacks donated to First Call for Help for Backpacks for Kids.



A brief look back at some of the events during the 2010 United Way of Ellis County Campaign.



Internal Campaign Kickoff activities of Sunflower Bank, Eagle Communications, Nex-Tech Wireless and FHSU.



Photos L to R: Diners enjoying Dine Out Day, UW Online Auction, UW Pumpkin Packers, Montana Mike's Server Night, UW parade participants.

A Message from Rhonda Meyerhoff, 2010 Campaign Chair

Thank you Ellis County community! It is with a sincere and humble heart that I report to you, the 2010 United Way of Ellis County goal of \$470,000 was met and exceeded with all the donors in our community coming together to raise a total of \$475,250! This accomplishment marks the ninth year in a row our community has joined together to meet the goal, and that is a true testament to the strength and hearts of the generous people in Ellis County, Kansas.

As the planning for the campaign began, we felt a very strong need to confirm that the United Way Care Council allocations passed on to our member agencies and the grant programs available to other organizations in our community are passing on "Waves of Hope" and making positive differences in the lives of those who needed it. It was wonderful to have Ginny, Judy and Katie share their stories on camera for this year's video. Their willingness to share was very generous and very much appreciated. Through their efforts, we were able to confirm the positive difference a community can make.

A fantastic group of volunteers gave countless hours of time and energy to the campaign and it was a joy to be supported by them. Their tireless efforts to "ask" certainly helped to secure the financial future of our organization and I am very grateful for their assistance.

The opportunity to serve as your United Way of Ellis County 2010 Campaign Chair was very much an honor. I would like to thank my parents for teaching me what it meant to be a part of a community – helping financially, speaking up for an important cause, and volunteering time; and Eagle Communications employee/owners for supporting my role throughout this campaign. Thank you also to the United Way of

Ellis County Past Campaign Chair, Ronan Sramek and Campaign Assistant, Jeff Brull; the Division Chairs; Board of Directors; and most of all the donors in our community for their support. Even though I step down from this position, I will continue to give, advocate and volunteer, to LIVE UNITED, and I ask you to continue your efforts as well. As we LIVE UNITED we will ensure that those who need us will have an opportunity to have better tomorrows through "Waves of Hope."



Rhonda Meyerhoff
2010 Campaign Chair



Thank You to our Special Contributors

Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball	Messiah Lutheran Church
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Commerce Bank	Nex-Tech
Commercial Builders	Northwest Signs & Awards
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Eagle Radio	Street Beat
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Gambino's Pizza	Sunflower Electric Power Corp
Golden Q	Taco Shop
Hays Chamber of Commerce	The Mall of Hays
Hays Chevrolet	Western Aluminum & Glass
Hays Tee's	Western Beverage
Insurance Planning, Inc.	

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United Way of Ellis County recognizes the following companies and departments as Gold Award Winners. These organizations conducted an employee campaign with a minimum contribution of \$500 with either 100% employee participation or an average gift of \$25 per employee.

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City of Hays
City Manager/HR
Finance/IT
Fire Department
Public Works Administration
Public Works Utilities Division
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Eagle Communications, Inc.
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Administrator
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Athletics
Art & Design Dept.
Biological Sciences Dept.
Budget & Planning Office
Center for Teaching
Excellence and Learning Technology
Chemistry Dept.
Communication Disorders Dept.
Computing & Telecommunications Center
Economics, Finance & Accounting Dept.
FHSU Foundation
Geosciences Dept.
Health & Human Performance Dept.
Justice Studies Dept.
Leadership Studies Dept.
Management & Marketing Dept.

Mathematics & Computer Science Dept.
Music and Theatre Dept.
Nursing Dept.
Strategic Partnerships and Distance Learning Office
Personnel/Payroll Office
Political Science Dept.
President's Office
Provost/Assistant Provost's Office
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Student Fiscal Services
Student Health Center
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Virtual College
Hays Med
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Midwest Energy, Inc.
NEW Corporation
Nex-Tech, Inc.
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Unified School District #489
Felten Middle School
Hays Area Children's Center
PATHS-Parents As Teachers/Early Head Start
Rockwell Administration Center
Roosevelt Elementary
Wilson Elementary School
United Parcel Service
Warehouse, Inc.
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Commerce Bank
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Dean Ellner Inc. Real Estate
Emprise Bank
Federal Express
First Care Clinic
Golden Belt Bank
Golden Plains Credit Union
Hays Area Children's Center
Holy Family Elementary School
James Motor Company
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Mortgage Sources
Northwestern Printers
Sunflower Bank
United Way of Ellis County
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2010 Community Response Grants

First Care Clinic	
Additional Exam Room	\$ 9,000
Hays Area Children's Center	
Network Server Upgrade	\$ 7,500
Parents As Teachers/Early Head Start	
Coded Footprint at Munjor Childcare Site	\$ 4,000
USD 489 Foundation for Educational Excellence	
At Risk Fund	\$ 3,500
Boy Scouts Coronado Area Council	
After School Program	\$ 3,000
Kansas Children's Service League	
Growing Great Kids	\$ 2,000
Ellis County Ministerial Alliance	
Thanksgiving Feast	\$ 500
Parents As Teachers/Early Head Start	
Building Blocks	\$ 440

2010 Community Impact Grants

First Call for Help	
Education & Prevention	\$16,678
NW KS Community Corrections	
Housing Program	\$10,000
Batterer's Intervention	\$10,000
Smoky Hill Foundation for Chemical Dependency	
Housing Support	\$10,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ellis County	
Programs for Children on the Waiting List	\$ 6,686
Hays Head Start	
Outdoor Play Areas	\$ 6,636

2011 Agency Allocations

First Call for Help	\$ 46,800
Information & Referral/Emergency Aid - \$21,100	
Education & Prevention - \$18,000	
Backpacks for Kids - \$3,500	
Meals on Wheels - \$4,200	
Hays Area Children's Center	\$ 43,000
Infant/Toddler Early Intervention	
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ellis County	\$ 29,000
Community/School-Based Mentoring	
Ellis County Chapter of the American Red Cross	\$ 26,000
Health & Safety Services - \$11,600	
Disaster Services - \$14,400	
Cancer Council of Ellis County	\$ 24,000
Nutritional Supplement - \$2,000	
Financial Assistance - \$22,000	
Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas	\$ 20,900
Job Follow-Along Program	
WKACD	\$ 20,000
Transportation to Work	
CASA of the High Plains	\$ 17,000
NW KS Domestic and Sexual Violence Services, Inc	\$ 11,500
Safe Shelter - \$5,200	
24 hr Crisis Line Services - \$6,300	
Catholic Charities	\$ 11,500
Counseling - \$6,750	
Citizenship & Immigration Services - \$4,750	
Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland-Sunflower Region	\$ 10,000
Youth Development	
United Cerebral Palsy of Kansas	\$ 8,200
Support Services in Ellis County	
Kansas Legal Services	\$ 7,500
Domestic Violence Program	
Parents and Children Together	\$ 4,600
Parent Education Classes	
Total	\$280,000

2010 Profit and Loss Statement (unaudited)

Income	
Net Campaign Income	\$ 454,757
Interest Income	\$ 2,567
In Kind	\$ 39,410
Total Income	\$496,734
Expenses	
Administration	\$ 75,171
Program	\$ 409,624
Fund-raising	\$ 43,589
United Way of America dues	\$ 4,700
Depreciation	\$ 193
Total Expense	\$533,277
Net Income	\$ -36,543

2010 Agency Emergency Grants

First Call for Help	\$10,000
Hays Area Children's Center	\$10,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$ 5,000
Cancer Council of Ellis County	\$ 5,000
NW KS Domestic and Sexual Violence Services	\$ 5,000
Western KS Association on Concerns of the Disabled	\$ 5,000

2010 Heritage Society Donors

Heritage Society Donors contribute at least \$500 to United Way of Ellis County's campaign. Their commitment to our community is vital to the success of the campaign and United Way's ability to help improve people's lives. We thank the Heritage Society Donors listed and those that have chosen to remain anonymous for helping our community LIVE UNITED. Heritage Society donations totaled over \$158,000 in 2010.

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